

## SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR MANAGING DOCUMENTS HAVING FORMULA BASED DOCUMENT LINKS

### ABSTRACT

5 A system, method, and computer usable medium having computer readable code  
embodied therein for causing a computer to create, store, and retrieve a main document with a  
formula that determines a reference to an insert document for inclusion in the main document.  
The system includes a data storage mechanism for storing the main document with a reference to  
an insert document and a shared resource database for storing one or more insert documents that  
10 may be referenced within a main document. A document destination module enables a user to  
create and store a main document with the formula or reference. That module also enables a user  
to open the main document and, upon opening the main document, extracts the formula and  
resolves the reference to the insert document. A document retrieval module then uses the  
reference to retrieve the insert document and a document insertion module then inserts the insert  
document into the main document.